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# Liquid Waste Top Ten Program Risks



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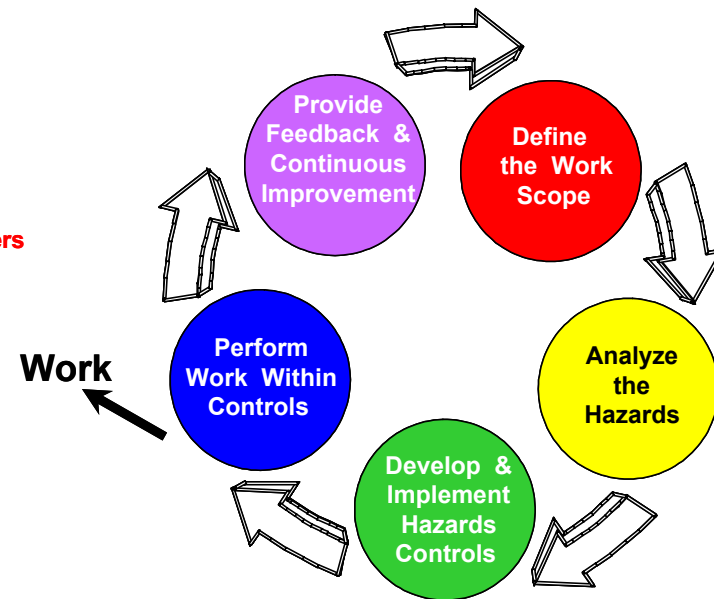
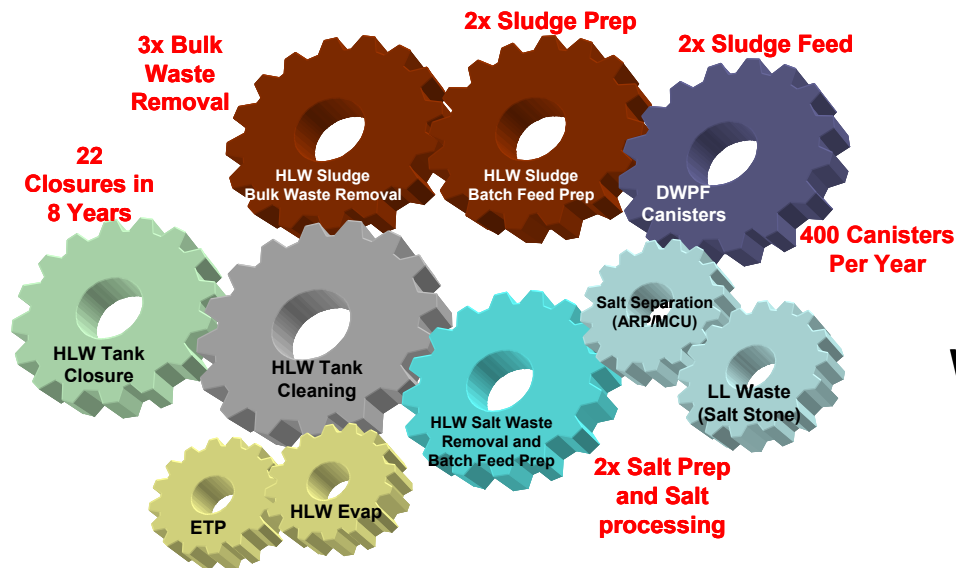
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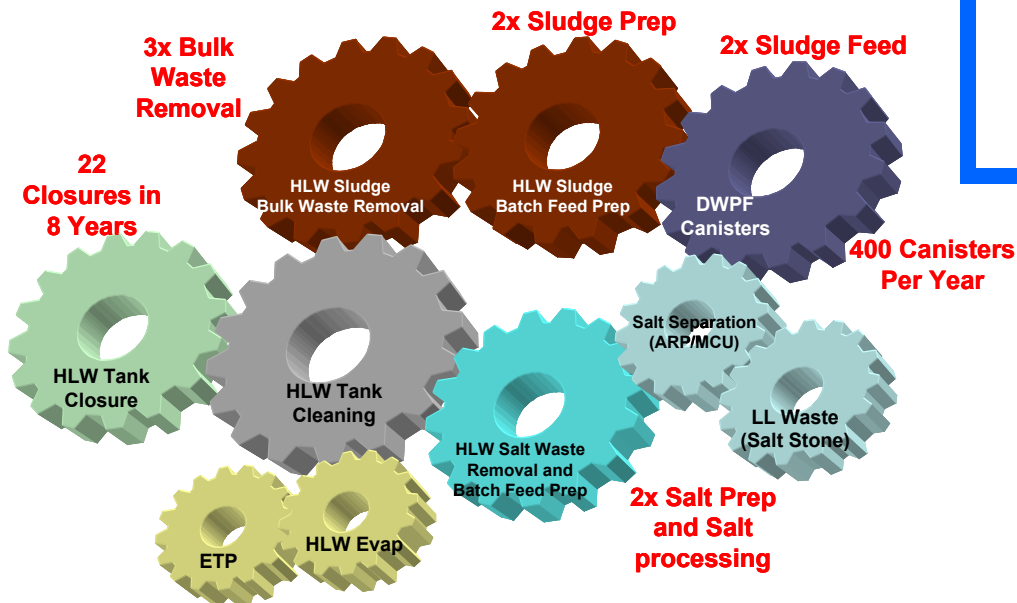
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Program Risks relate to increase in overall cost or schedule of Liquid Waste Project

Integrated Safety Management System  
Manages Hazards



Area of Concern	Strategy to Address
1. Equipment Reliability	System Health Monitoring, Maintenance Program and Spare Parts
2. Major System Failure (for example, Melter or Evaporator)	System Health Monitoring, Spares, Development of Repair Techniques
3. Tank Space Availability when Needed	Integrated System Planning
4. Tank Leak Sites Reduce Useable Space	Structural Integrity Program
5. Characterization of Waste	Early sampling and analysis, Development of robust processes to accommodate varying composition
6. Technology Readiness	Testing, mock-up, lessons learned from DOE complex
7. Salt Waste Processing Facility Start-Up Delayed or Processing Rate Limited	Interim Salt Disposition Project, Supplemental Salt Treatment Processes
8. Meeting Tank Cleanliness Requirements for Closure	Use of new technologies included Enhanced Chemical Cleaning
9. Availability of Closure Documentation	Integrated Planning and Development with Stakeholders
10. Integration/Coupling of Execution Activities	Integrated System Planning, Integrated Operations and Projects Planning and Scheduling

Formal reporting via two formats

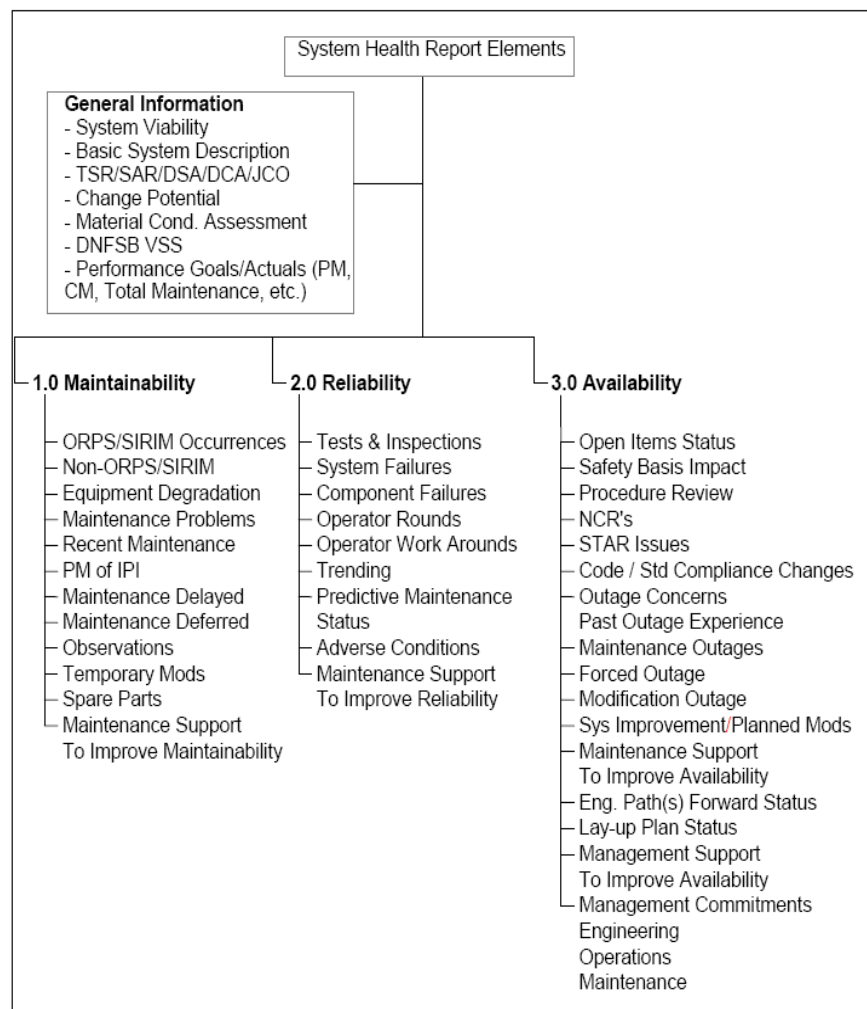
- Performance Monitoring Report (short form-monthly/quarterly frequency)
- System Health Report (Formal Report-annual or biannual)

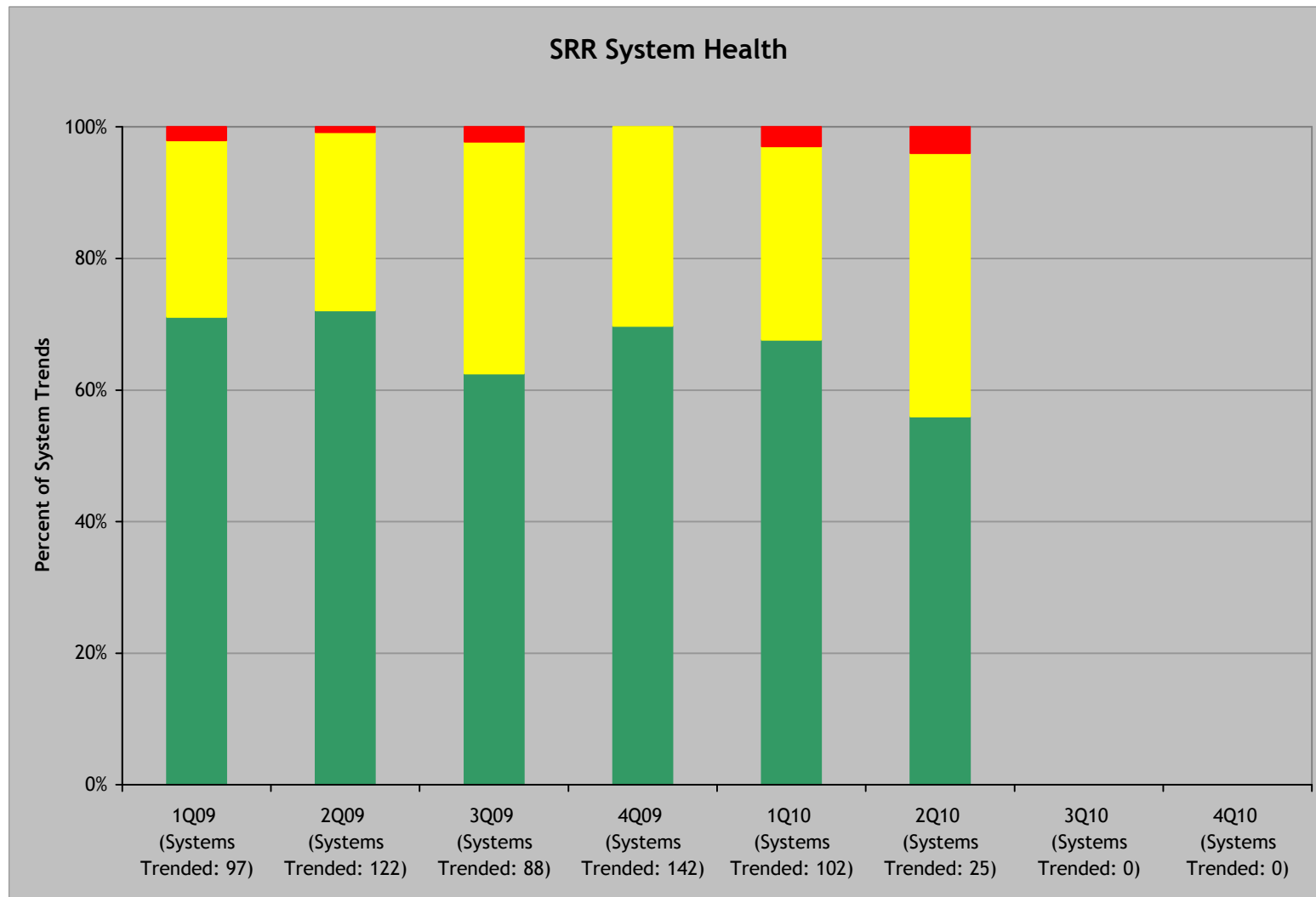
Performance Monitoring Report Topics:

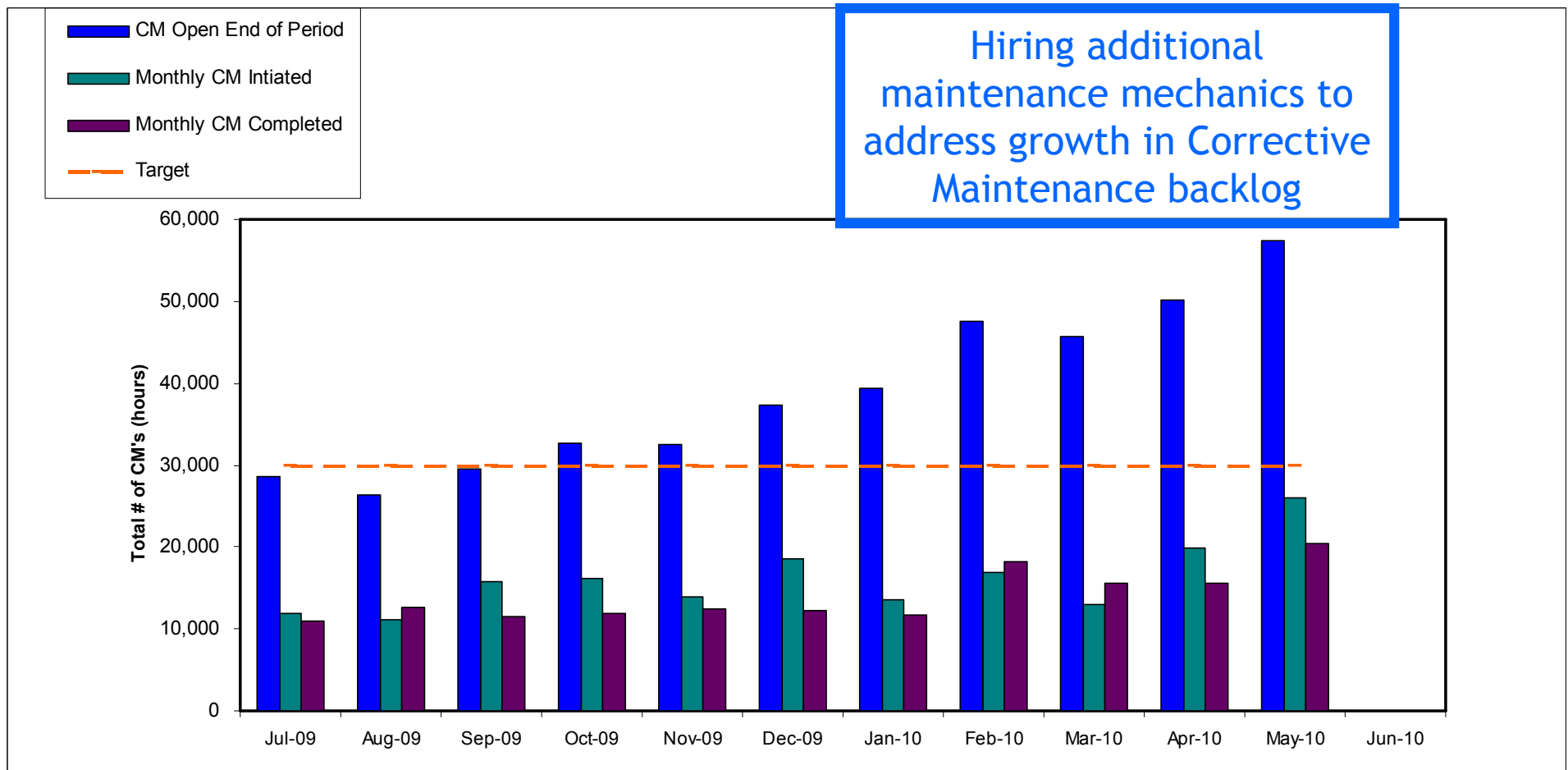
- Overall summary including System Status Grading
  - Green-Available with no degradation, minor corrective issues, no adverse trends
  - Yellow-Available, but in a degraded condition requiring compensatory actions. Has persistent issues requiring maintenance. Degradation trend noted, but no an immediate issue.
  - Red-System is unavailable. System has high equipment vulnerability such as end of life with no spares, near term failure likely
- Trend analysis-summary of key performance trends
- Maintenance Impacts-notification of significant material condition or performance issues and maintenance history
- System Walkdown Observations
- Actions-identify new actions based on current review

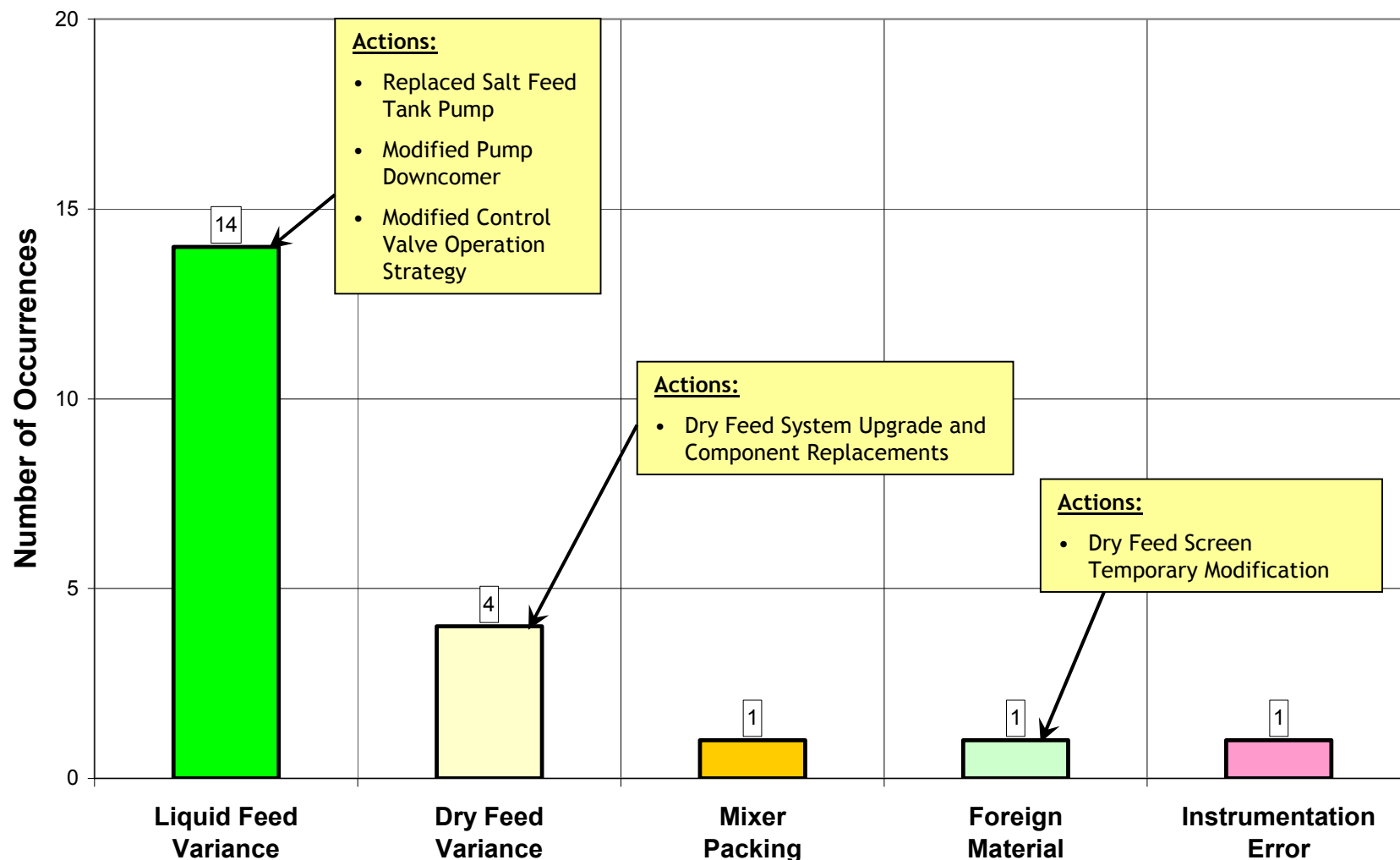
**Purpose is to ensure systems are performing as required and define actions to keep it that way for the mission life (viability)**

# Considerations for System Health Reports









## Unplanned Process Shutdowns

December 2009 through July 2010



# Equipment Reliability Risk Examples

## DWPF Equipment Failure (Excluding Melter)

### Risk

- Equipment failure and lack of adequate equipment spares results in degraded facility performance and decreased canister production rates.

### Handling

- Replenish assembled unit spares - **In Progress**
- Revalidate spare equipment list - **Complete**
- Verify spares are maintained on hand - **In Progress**
- Procure additional spares as needed - **In Progress**
- Projectize procurement of spares - **In Progress**
- Investigate system life extension - **Complete**

Unmitigated Lifecycle Risk	Most Likely Residual Lifecycle Impact
Very Likely - 1 Year	Likely - 6 Months

## Tank Farm Equipment Failure (Excluding Transfer Lines or 3H Evaporator Pot)

### Risk

- Equipment failure and lack of adequate equipment spares or unavailability of utilities results in unplanned facility outages.

### Handling

- Initiate HTF Utility Services Upgrade project - **In Progress**
- Revalidate spare equipment list - **Complete**
- Projectize procurement of spares - **In Progress**
- Investigate system life extension - **Complete**

Unmitigated Lifecycle Risk	Most Likely Residual Lifecycle Impact
Very Likely - 3 Months	Likely - 2 Months

## Tank Farm Transfer Line Failure

### Risk

- Tank Farm transfer line outer jacket degrades and as a result the transfer line cannot be used as required.

### Handling

- Develop and deploy transfer line repair technologies - **In Progress**
- Perform modifications to install additional protection - **In Progress**  
Identify an alternate 2H evaporator concentrate receipt tank and be staged to perform conversion in the event of a Tank 38 Gravity Drain Line outer jacket failure - **In Progress**

Unmitigated Lifecycle Risk	Most Likely Residual Lifecycle Impact
Likely - 1 Year	Unlikely - 4 Months

# Major System/Component Failure Risk Examples

## Tank 49 Feed Pump Failure

### Risk

- Transfers from Tank 49 to SWPF will be required every 21 hours. Failure of the Tank 49 to SWPF transfer/feed pump will result in a reduction in the SWPF throughput.

### Handling

- Procure and install a redundant transfer/feed pump in Tank 49- **In Progress**

Unmitigated Lifecycle Risk	Most Likely Residual Lifecycle Impact
Very Likely - 1 Year	Avoided

## 3H Evaporator Pot Failure

### Risk

- Failure of the 3H Evaporator pot impacts DWPF sludge batch preparation

### Handling

- Prepare procurement specification for spare 3H evaporator pot- **In Progress**
- Procure a spare 3H Evaporator pot - **After RHS above**

Unmitigated Lifecycle Risk	Most Likely Residual Lifecycle Impact
Very Unlikely - 18 Months	Very Unlikely - 3 Months

## Saltstone Processing Facility major equipment failure

### Risk

- Failure of an essential component impacts processing at Saltstone

### Handling

- Identify and implement actions to optimize throughput to support ARP/MCU operations - **Complete**
- Identify and implement actions to optimize throughput to support SWPF operations - **In Progress**
- Evaluate alternatives to SPF to enhance capacity and reliability - **In Progress**
- Projectize procurement of spares - **In Progress**
- Investigate system life extension - **Complete**

Unmitigated Lifecycle Risk	Most Likely Residual Lifecycle Impact
Very Likely - 6 Months	Likely - 6 Months



- Risk changes over life of program
  - Real-time evaluation of risks and monthly review
  - Annual formal Top-to-Bottom update of risks
  - Risk profile is improving
- Equipment Reliability and Major Equipment failures are top areas of concern
- Specific risks are analyzed by subject matter experts who identify executable Risk Handling Strategies
- Risk Handling Strategies are included on an Integrated Priority List



# Questions?

## Example Likelihood Criteria

Very Likely	≤ 10 years
Likely	10-25 years
Unlikely	25-50 years
Very Unlikely	> 50 years

Figure 3 – Risk Level Matrix

Likelihood (L)	Very Likely	Low	Moderate	High	High	High
	Likely	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High
	Unlikely	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High
	Very Unlikely	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High
		* Non-credible				
		Low				
		Negligible	Marginal	Significant	Severe (Critical)	Very Severe (Crisis)
		Consequence (C)				

## Example Consequence Criteria

Negligible	< 3 month delay
Marginal	3-12 months delay
Significant	1-2 years delay
Severe	>2 years delay

\* Normally limited to assessing residual risks with Very Severe (Crisis) consequences

# Example Risk Status Report



ID	Title	Risk Level	Review Date	Status			Remarks	Content changed from last update
				Transferred	Closed	Acceptable Risk		
034	DWPF Impacted by Chemistry/Rheology of Sludge Waste Feed	Low	4/21/2010				Minor concern	Melter performance improvements being investigated. Research has been performed and implementation of melter bubbler mixing is underway to be installed by September 2010.
036	Sampling and Analysis of Salt Feed to ISDP Shows SPF WAC Cannot be Met After Processing	Low	5/5/2010					Batches are being sampled and to date they meet the WAC.
037	DWPF Impacted by Chemistry of Salt Waste Feed	High	4/21/2010				Minor concern	The need for additional characterization is being evaluated. Characterization data and operating lessons learned during ARP/MCU operations will be used in optimizing sludge batch compatibility with the SWPF waste stream for processing at DWPF.
040	Salt Dissolution Results in the Precipitation of Gibbsite	Moderate	5/5/2010					Investigating methods to avoid gibbsite formation.
041	Formation of Sodium Aluminosilicate in a Salt Tank	Moderate	5/5/2010				Minor concern	Developing flowsheets and mathematical models for salt removal that avoid criticality.
042	Salt Waste Heel or Tank Annuli Waste Cannot be Processed Through SWPF	High	5/5/2010				Minor concern	Developing a flowsheet with additional feed treatment or processing modifications.
045	Higher Curie Sludge Impacts DWPF Canister Production	Low	5/6/2010					Sludge batch sampling, blending strategy development and qualification are being performed.
048	Sludge Physical Properties Cause Delays in Meeting Sludge Feed Objectives	Low	4/19/2010				Minor concern	Physical characteristics of waste are being determined and used in development of removal technologies that can tolerate variability in waste characteristics.
069	Higher Than Expected Cs Levels in Salt Solution Impact Processing	Low	5/5/2010					Batches are being sampled and no concerns have been identified to date.
070	Rogue Constituents in SWPF Feed	Moderate	5/5/2010				Minor concern	Evaluating the need for additional sampling and testing and developing tank sequencing / blending strategies.
071	Unknown Physical Properties in Heel Material During Mechanical Heel Removal	Low	4/20/2010				Minor concern	ECC is being deployed to handle this risk.
074	MCU Feed Requirements not met by ARP Processing Strategy (Filter Breakthrough)	Low	5/5/2010					Robust filter design provides protection and a basis to accept this risk.

● Risk has been transferred  
 ● Risk has been closed  
 ● Not a problem, no issues at this time  
 ● Minor concern  
 ● Major concern

PBS SR-0014 Risk Assessment Form				
ID Number: 012		Revision: 03		Last Date Evaluated: 8/12/2009
Status: Active				
Statement of Residual Risk: Premature failure of installed spare equipment leads to canister production downtime while a new replacement is procured.				
Residual Likelihood:	Likely	Basis: Based upon the 20+ years of remaining operation of the DWPF, the potential for a premature failure of an installed spare is likely.		
Residual Consequence:	Significant	Basis: Premature failure of an installed spare is estimated to cause a canister production outage period judged to be up to 1 year in duration. Out-year residual impact of 1 year schedule delay, near-term residual impact of \$10M to procure a new major equipment spare.		
Residual Risk Level:	Moderate			
NEAR TERM Residual Impact				Basis of NEAR TERM Cost and Schedule Impacts: Basis - Near-term residual risk for all cases is the cost to procure a new major equipment spare. (\$10M)
Residual Cost Impact (\$K):	Best Case 10,000	Most Likely 10,000	Worst Case 10,000	
Residual Schedule Impact :	0	0	0	
OUT YEAR Residual Impact				Basis of OUT YEAR Cost and Schedule Impacts: Basis - Worst Case: Immediate premature failure of installed spare. Assume 1 year to procure and install replacement. Most Likely Case: Spare equipment operates for 6 months before failure. Procurement of a replacement begins upon installation of spare. Assume 6 additional months to complete procurement and install replacement. Best Case: Spare equipment operates for 12 months and does not fail until a suitable replacement is available. No significant canister production downtime is experienced.
Residual Cost Impact :	Best Case 0	Most Likely 225,000	Worst Case 450,000	
Residual Schedule Impact (Mos):	0	6 Mths	12 Mths	
LIFE CYCLE Residual Impacts (total of Near Term and Out Year)				Basis of LIFE CYCLE Cost and Schedule Impacts: Residual impact based on total life cycle
Residual Cost Impact :	Best Case 10,000	Most Likely 235,000	Worst Case 460,000	
Residual Schedule Impact (Mos):	0	6 Mths	12 Mths	
Risk Assumptions : 13. DWPF will produce canisters at maximum throughput for the duration of the program (based on achievable melt rate, planned outages, and waste loading for sludge being processed). DWPF near-term canister production is based on revised sludge mass values. Production of salt-only cans is acceptable to DOE.				
Event Comments: The risk of a premature DWPF melter failure is addressed under Risk 021. The failure to provide a spare DWPF melter is addressed under Risk 022.				